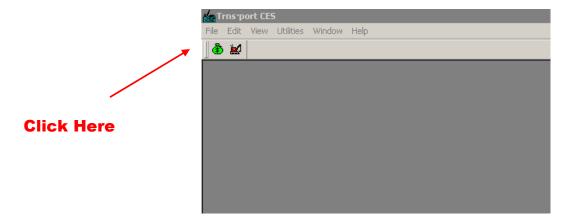
# **CES Designer Instructions**

## **CES Project Setup Checklist:**

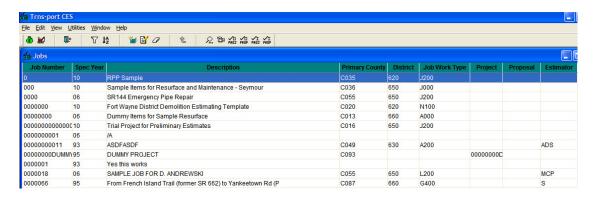
- 1. Ensure the *Spec Year* is set to the current specification year.
- 2. Set the *Unit System* to ENGLISH or METRIC as appropriate.
- 3. Set the *Base Date* to the LETTING FINISH DATE from SPMS.
- 4. Set the *Work Type* to the HIGHEST level of summarization ("000" level) for the project type. (e.g. "A000" for a bridge project, "P000" for an intersection improvement, etc.)
- 5. Set the *Bid-Based Inflation* Radio Button to "USE MODEL" if the project is to be constructed within the current year or to USE JOB if the project is to be constructed in a future year.
- 6. Ensure that the *Inflation Percent* and the *Years Until Work* entries are correct. These values were imported from SPMS when the CES job record was created and may be obsolete.
- 7. Set the *Season* to the time of year when the job is to be CONSTRUCTED (Winter, Spring, Summer, or Fall).
- 8. Set the *Locations* to the COUNTY and DISTRICT where the job is located.
- 9. Choose the default *Item Bid History Library* that is appropriate for the Contract Type (B, M, R, RS, T).
- 10. Make sure you enter the *Latitude* and *Longitude* of the project midpoint on page 2 of the General tab.
- 11. Any problems or issues using CES, send an email to <a href="mailto:cessupport@indot.in.gov">cessupport@indot.in.gov</a>.

## BASIC DESIGNER INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CES

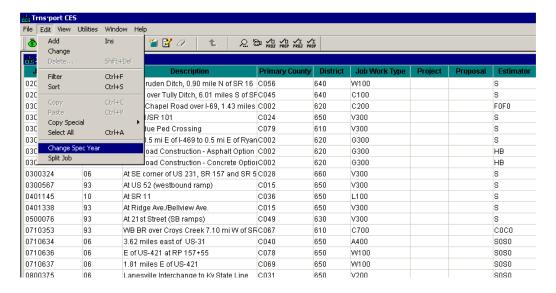
To get started click on the green bag of money in the top left corner.



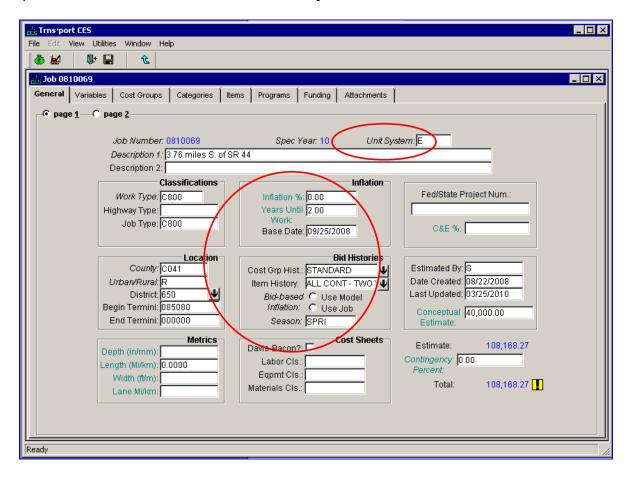
Find the project in the list and click once to select.



To correct the Spec Year (if necessary), choose Edit, then Change Spec Year.



Once Spec Year is correct, double click on the Job Number to open the job file. Check for accuracy the fields on **page 1** under **Classification** and **Location** and correct any known discrepancies. Also, be sure the correct **Unit System** is selected.



Under **Inflation**, set the **Inflation** % to the annual percentage inflation rate desired, and the **Years Until Work** to the number of years between the current date and the beginning of construction. The **Base Date** should be set to the Letting Date, or the date for which you want CES to produce pricing.

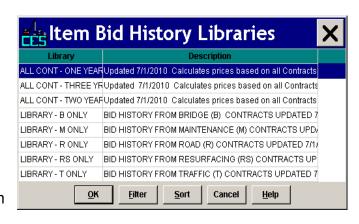
Under **Bid Histories**, first click on the Arrow to the right of the **Cost Grp Hist** (Cost Group History) field and select the STANDARD cost group bid History from in the popup window and click **OK** 

Note: This step is only necessary if you plan on using the Parametric Estimating Features



Next click on the arrow to the right of the **Item History** field.

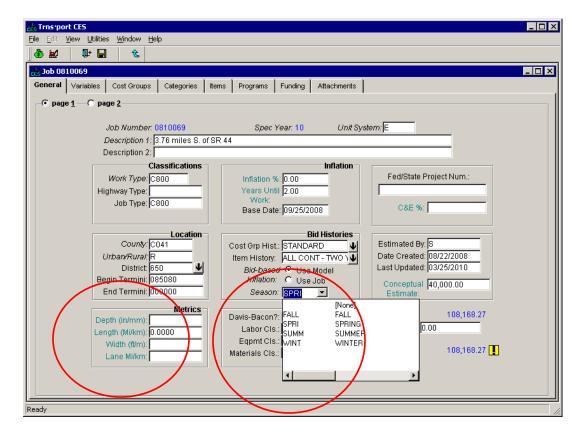
Select the appropriate Item Bid History
Library and click OK. Normally, you
should select the Bid history library that
corresponds with the type of contract you
are estimating. In addition, there are one,
two, and three-year libraries based on all
contracts for items which may not have
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the contract-specific Bid History Libraries



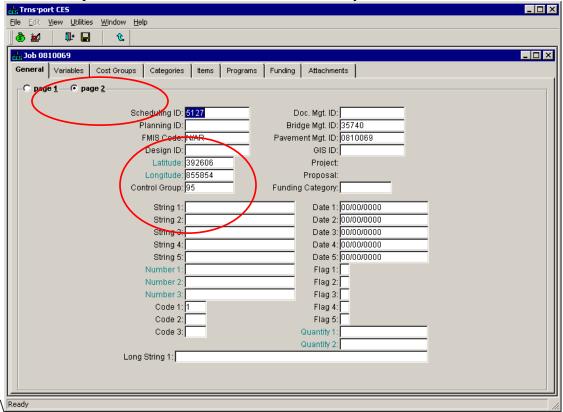
Set the Bid-based **Inflation** radio buttons to either **Use Model** or **Use Job**. If you choose **Use Model** inflation will be calculated and applied to Bid-based prices only based on the **Base Date** for the job. If you choose **Use Job** an inflation adjustment will be applied to the entire Job by inflating the total cost by the inflation rate specified by the Inflation % for the number of year specified in the Years Until Work.



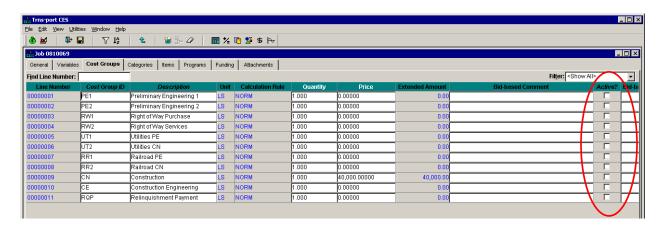
The last items you need set on Page One are the anticipated construction season from the pull down menu next to **Season** and enter the project metrics: **Pavement Depth, Length, Width,** and **Lane Miles/Kilometers**.



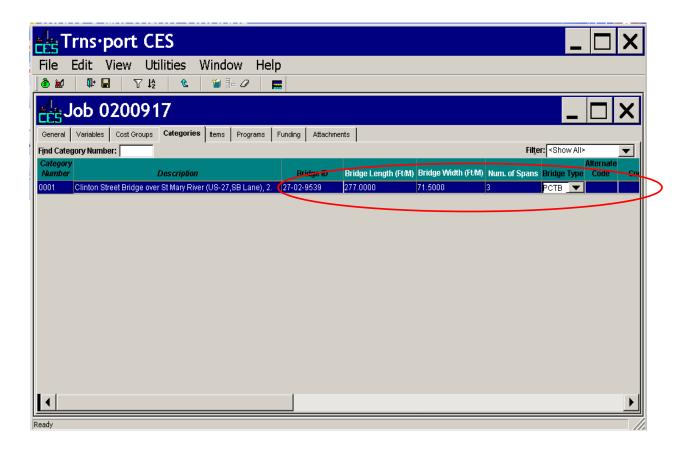
Next select the button for **page 2** just below the General tab. On page 2 enter the **Latitude** and **Longitude** in degrees, minutes, seconds without symbols or other punctuation. Page 2 is also where you can set or reset the **Control Group** 



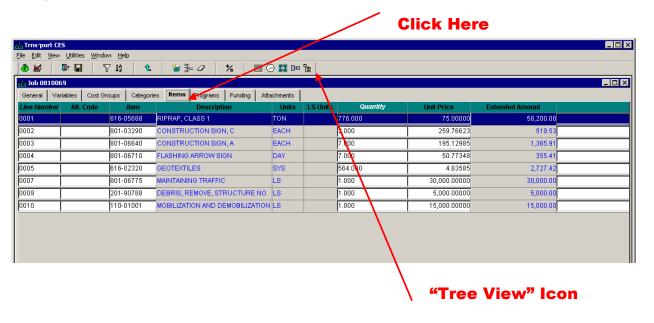
Next, click the **Cost Groups** tab. Cost Groups are only used for Parametric Estimating. Make sure all the boxes under **Active?**, are unchecked. If the box is checked, simply click on the check to remove it. The total amount of any item checked on this tab will be added to your estimate.



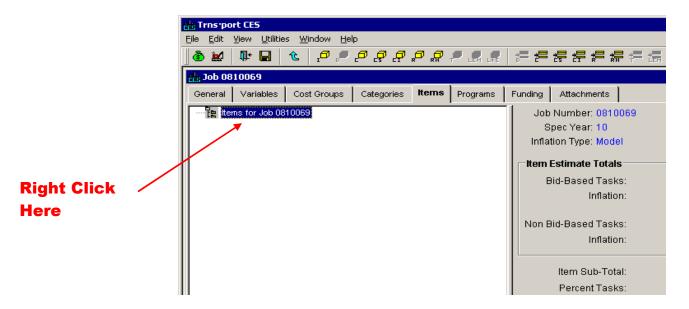
Next, click the **Categories** tab. Each job should have one category unless you are specifically instructed otherwise. The category tab is where you enter Bridge Information. You must enter the **Bridge ID**, **Bridge Length**, **Bridge Width**, **Number of Spans**, and **Bridge Type** for each Bridge in the project.

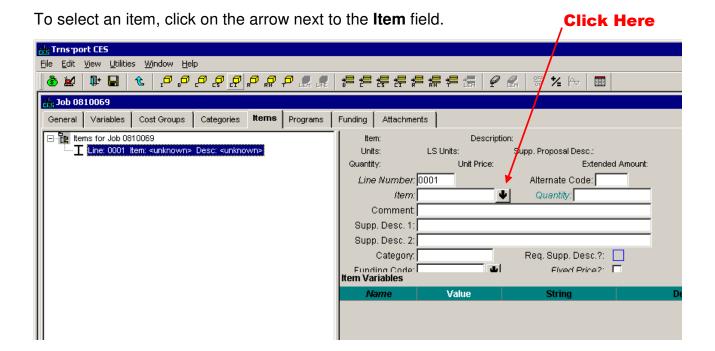


Next, click on the **Items** tab and then click on the folder tree icon for the "tree view" interface.

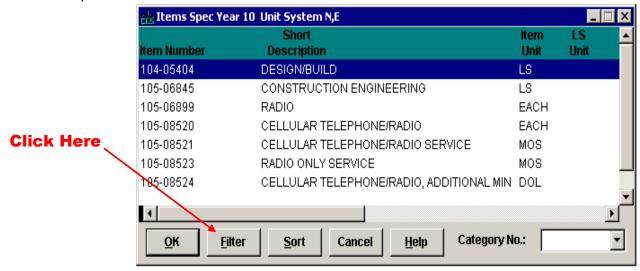


To begin adding items to the estimate, right click on the Items for Job and select Add Item.





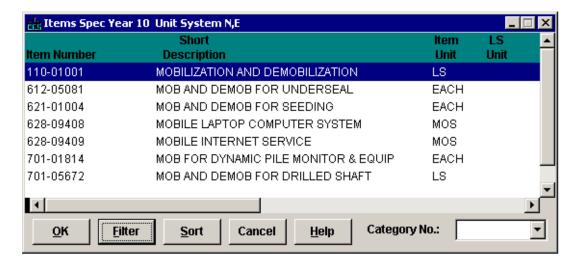
The following item list window will pop up with all the pay items. Click the **Filter** button to search for a specific item.



One way to search is by selecting **Short Description** in the **Column** pull down menu, **Contains** in the **Operator** pull down menu and in **ALL CAPS** type part of the item name in the **Value** box. Then click OK.



The item list window will now have a narrowed selection. To select an item, double click on the item or single click and select OK.



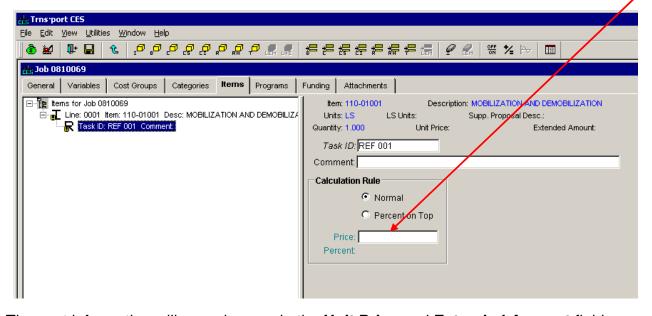
The items details will now show up in the **Item**, **Description**, and **Units** fields. Next enter the **Quantity** in the given box.

#### **Enter Quantity Value Here** Trns port CES <u>File Edit View Utilities Window Help</u> ah Job 0810069 General Variables Cost Groups Categories Items Programs Funding Attachments Description MOBILIZATION AND DEMOBILIZATION ⊡-- tems for Job 0810069 Item: 110-01001 Line: 0001 Item: 110-01001 Desc: MOBILIZATION AND DEMOBILIZATION. Units: LS LS Units: Supp. Proposal Desc.: Quantity: 1.000 Unit Price: Extended Amount: Line Number: 0001 Alternate Code: Quantity, 1.000 /tem: 110-01001 Comment: Supp. Desc. 1: Supp. Desc. 2: Category: Req. Supp. Desc.?: Fixed Price?: Funding Code: Ψ Code 1: State Furnished?: 🔲 Item Variables Value

To enter an Ad-hoc price, right click on the item in the box on the left, select **Add**, select **Reference Price** and then select **New Price**. You may choose to enter a New or Historical Price. If you choose to enter a historical price CES will automatically enter the current weighted average price from the pay item list.

**Right Click Here to Enter Price** 

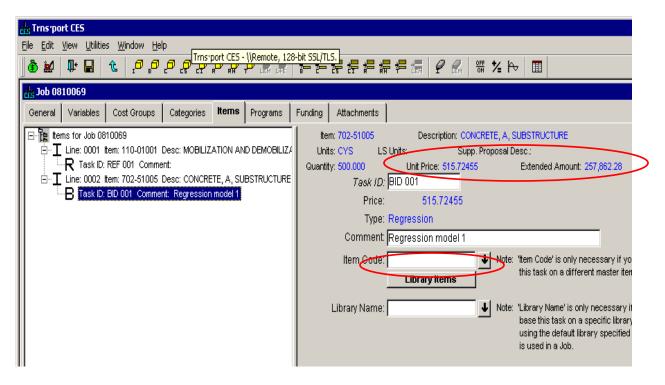
Enter the estimated cost in the **Price** field and hit Enter. **Enter Estimated Cost Here**You may choose to have CES calculate the price as a "Percent On Top"



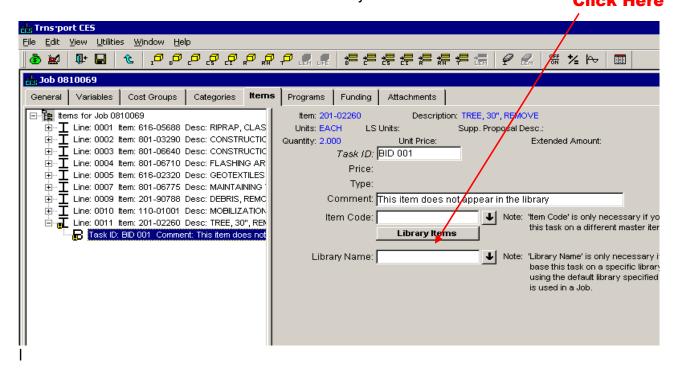
The cost information will now show up in the **Unit Price** and **Extended Amount** fields.

If you wish to enter a price generated by one of the CES pricing model right click on the item, select **Add** and then select **Bid-based Price**. CES will automatically select the model that most closely matches the project header information you entered on the **General** tab.

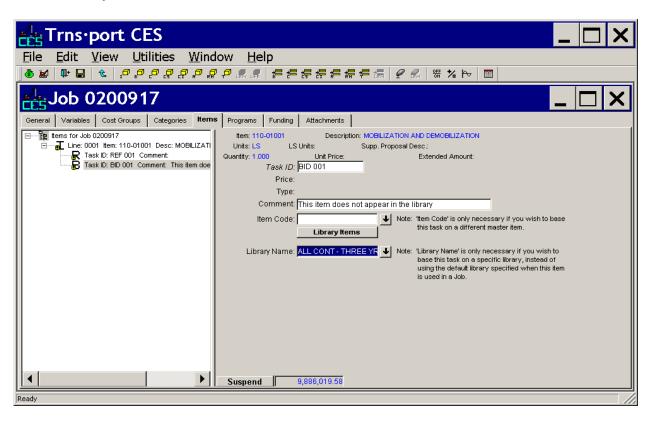
In most cases the **Unit Price** and **Extended Amount** will automatically propagate based on the values from the selected Price Histories and Libraries on the General tab. (Make sure a **Quantity** has been entered before adding a Bid-based Price.)



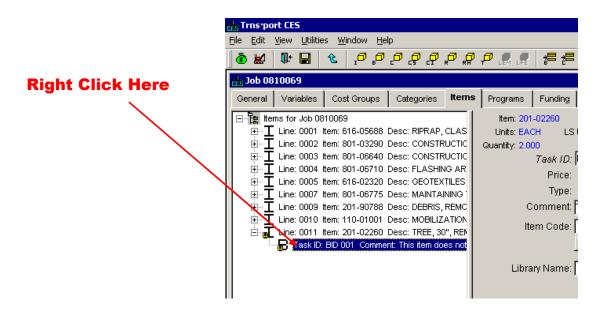
In instances where the **Unit Price** does not automatically propagate, you may use the **Library Items** button to select a similar item from the currently selected Bid History Library. The **Unit Price** for the selected item will then be used for your item.



You can also use the **Library Name** field to look up prices in a different Library other than the default library selected on the General Tab



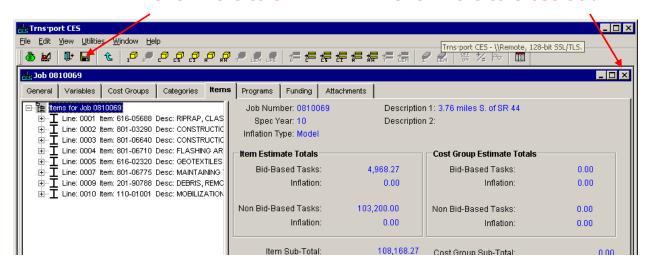
If a similar item cannot be found, or the item cannot be found in another Library, right click on the **Task ID** for the bid based price and delete the entry. Then follow the steps for creating a **Reference Price** for the item and enter a price estimated from other resources.



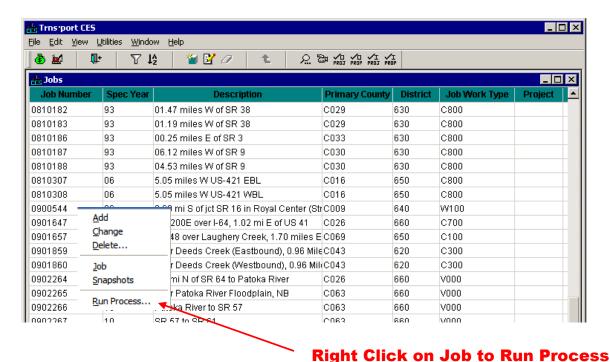
Continue entering Items and Prices until the estimate is complete. Next, click the **Save** disk and then **Close** the job by clicking the "X" in the upper right hand corner of the Job specific window.

### **Click Here to SAVE**

## **Click Here to Close Job**



To run a full estimate report, right click on the des number in the main Jobs window, select **Run Process**, select **FULL ESTIMATE PRINT OUT** and then select OK. Also select **Submit** on the **Confirm Process Submission** window that will pop up, and finally click OK on the **Client Job Monitor** window.



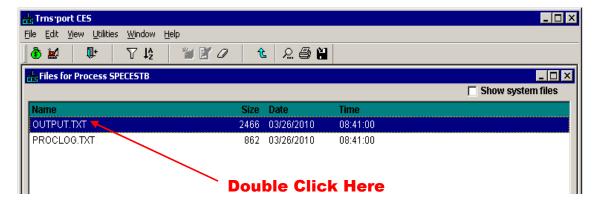
After a few seconds, a **DPS Status Monitor** window will pop up indicating the report is complete. Select OK.



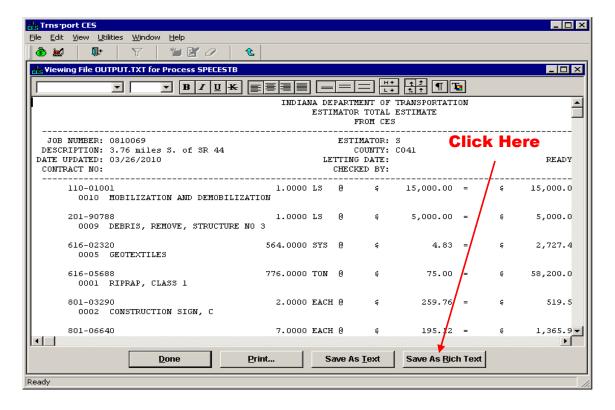
To view report, select **File** from the menu at the top and then select **Process Status**. Double Click on the most recent process based on Date Submitted.



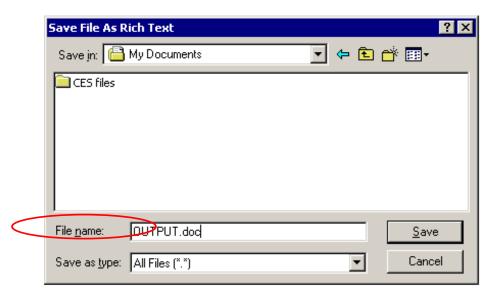
Then Double Click on Output.txt.



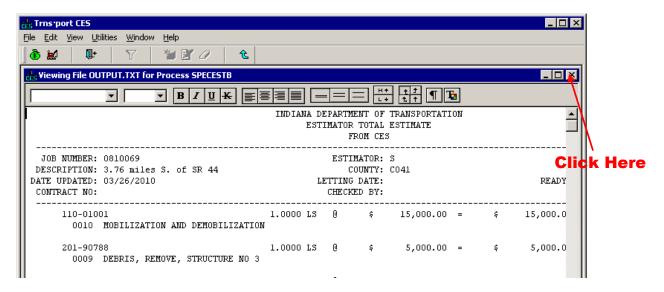
Click the Save As Rich Text button.



Save the file as a \*.doc file.



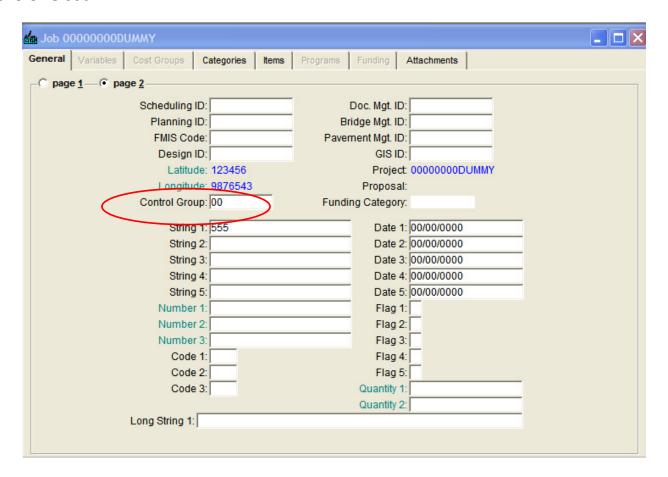
To return to the main **Jobs** window, close all the **Process** windows by clicking the "X" in the right hand corner until the **Jobs** window is the only one open.



Finally, once the estimate is complete and final tracings have been submitted to Contracts Services by the Project Manager, the file will need to be placed in **Control Group 12**.

To change the **Control Group**, double click on the des number to open the job, select **page 2** on the **General** tab, enter 12 in the Control Group Field and then select save.

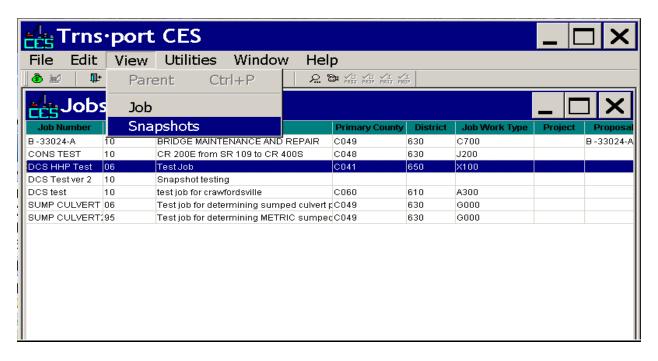
**WARNING**: Once the control group is changed and saved, you will no longer have access to this CES Job!!



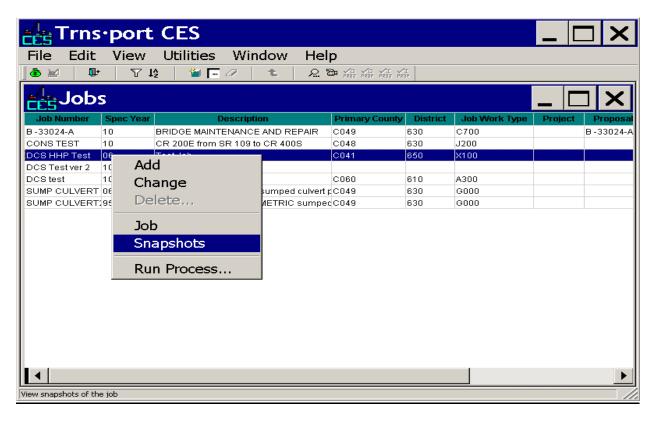
## INSTRUCTIONS FOR TAKING A SNAPSHOT

A **Snapshot** is a complete picture of a job at a given time. Snapshots can be used to trace the evolution of an estimate from conception to completion, and, therefore, can be instrumental in reviews and audits. A snapshot can be produced by a user at will, and also occurs automatically at prescribed times (for instance, when you split a job).

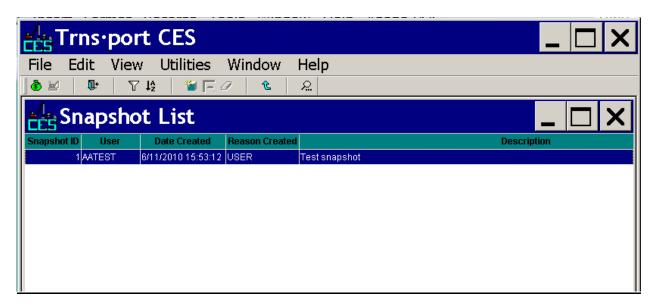
Select the job you wish to take a snapshot of, and select **Snapshots** from the **View** menu.



Or right-click on the Job and select Snapshots from the shortcut menu.



The Snapshot window will open and display any snapshots that have been taken of your CES job

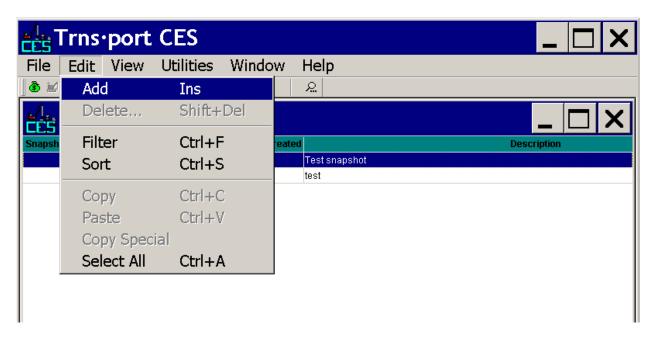


To open an existing snapshot Double-click on the Snapshot title or right-click on it and choose **Snapshot** from the shortcut menu.

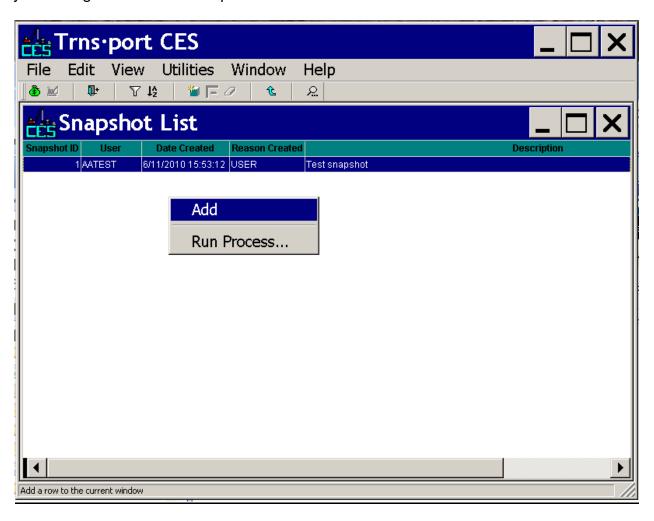
The Snapshot window looks like the regular job window but you cannot edit any of the data.



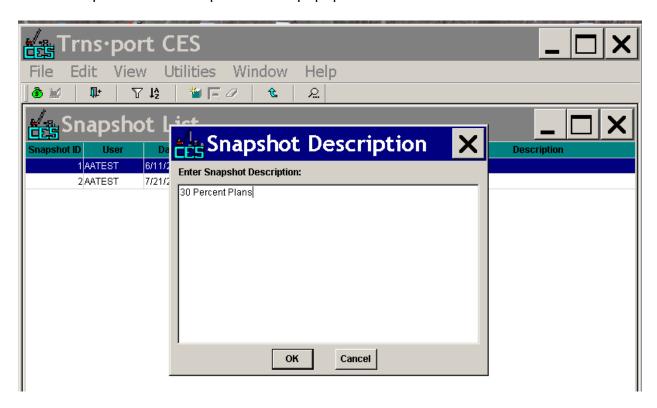
To add a snapshot, open the snapshot window for that contract and either choose **Add** from the Edit menu.



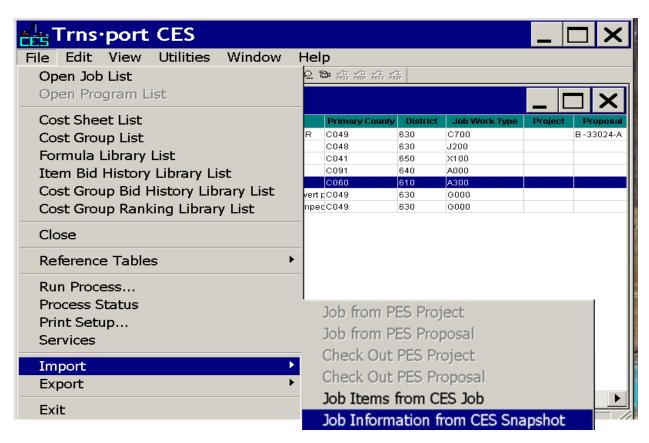
Or you can right-click on the snapshot window itself and choose Add.



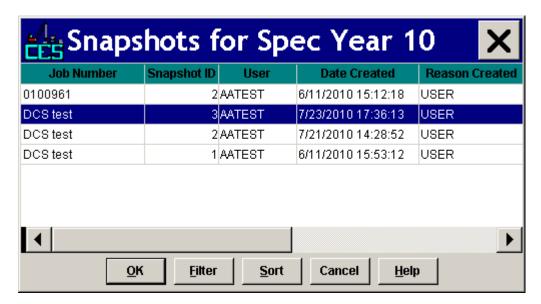
Enter a description for the Snapshot in the popup window and click **OK**.



To restore project data from a snapshot, choose **Import** from the File menu and select **Job Information from CES Snapshot**.



Then select the snapshot you wish to import from the popup window.



CES will give you the option of importing some or all of the snapshot data into your job.

